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EXAMINING GROUP NO. 1632

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In Re Application of: Antoniou and
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For: SELF-REPLICATING EPISOMAL EXPRESSION VECTORS
CONFERRING TISSUE-SPECIFIC GENE EXPRESSION

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, please amend the above-identified application as
follows.

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. (Twice Amended) The self-replicating episomal DNA expression vector of claim
2 wherein the component of an LCR is a component of the β -globin LCR selected from the group
consisting of HS3 and HS4, and combinations thereof.